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Evers thanks Governor for signing CTE bills into law

MADISON — State Superintendent Tony Evers released the following statement regarding Governor Walker signing SB 334 (technical excellence higher education scholarships), and SB 331 (career and technical education incentive grants) into law.

"To be pro-business, you have to be pro-education, and I am pleased that Governor Walker has supported and signed into law my plan to provide incentive funds to schools that offer industry certifications in high-need areas. This is a critical investment that will help our schools better prepare students for the future.

"Back in 2012, in my 2013-15 state biennial budget request, I proposed the creation of the career and technical education incentive grants. The two bills signed into law today are good measures that have enjoyed bipartisan support. Clearly, we can work together on issues that help all children succeed. Career and Technical Education programs are an essential part of our efforts to provide students with more opportunities for success through relevant experiences, higher standards, and greater expectations.

"I thank Representative Petryk and Senator Gudex for their sponsorship of this legislation. I stand ready to work with any legislator that wishes to advance programs that provide students with more opportunities for success. With this legislation, we move closer to my goal of having every Wisconsin child leave high school not only with their diploma, but also with college credit or an industry certification in hand."

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